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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Wisconsin Gas Company, as a Gas Public Utility,
for Authority to Construct Facilities and Render Natural Gas
Service in the Town of Oakland, Burnett County, Wisconsin

6650-CG-199

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO determine whether Wisconsin Gas Company (WGC) should be authorized to construct facilities and render natural gas service in the Town of Oakland, Burnett County, Wisconsin. WGC filed an application on March 21, 2000, for a certificate under Wis. Stat. § 196.49(3) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 133.03.

WGC is a gas public utility, as defined in Wis. Stat. § 196.01(5), with its principal office at 626 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. WGC is engaged in the business of distributing and selling natural gas in the City of Milwaukee and its suburban areas and in other Wisconsin cities, villages, and towns, including the Village of Webster that are in the immediate vicinity of the proposed project.

WGC is proposing to install approximately 3,300 feet of steel gas main and 2,085 feet of plastic gas main as part of this project. The project is estimated to serve one commercial customer with a total estimated annual usage of 22,400 therms. The project starts at the end of an existing 3-inch steel gas main approximately 500 feet north of the Yellow River along STH 35 in the Town of Meenon, Burnett County. From there the gas line runs north along STH 35 approximately 3,300 feet to a private road. The line then runs east along the private road to the customer's facilities at Herzl Camp. The estimated cost of the project is \$55,047.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(2). No unusual circumstances suggesting the likelihood of significant environmental consequences have come to

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the Commission's attention. Neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stat. § 1.11, nor an environmental assessment is required.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Tom Stemrich at (608) 266-2800.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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